

## Sacramento International Airport

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Sacramento International Airport (SMF), located 12 miles northwest of the State's Capital, is northern California's inland gateway to the world. Nestled at the north end of the Central Valley in Sacramento County, SMF has become a vibrant hub since it was built in 1967. Owned and operated by the Sacramento County, Department of Airports [along with Sacramento Mather Airport, Executive Airport (operated via City of Sacramento lease), and Franklin Field Airport] within Caltrans District 3, SMF is one of the State's top 12 cargo airports.

### OPERATIONS

SMF is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is able to provide domestic as well as international cargo service. Preferential Runway procedures are in place between 9:45 p.m. and 7:45 a.m. to minimize aircraft noise exposure in the community.

### FACILITIES AND SERVICES

- The 2007 Airport Master Plan identifies cargo as occupying 134 of the 2,600 developed acres of airport property.
- The closest Foreign Trade Zone is located about 15 miles away next to the Port of West Sacramento (FTZ #143).
- Landing fees are the same for SMF and Mather Airport.

### AIRPORT TRADE CHARACTERISTICS

- FedEx has a sort facility at SMF, and operates several daily flights.
- Much of the cargo at SMF is transported in the bellies of passenger aircraft by airline carriers such as Southwest, Alaska/Horizon, American, United, and Delta.
- A United States Postal Service (USPS) facility is located at SMF transporting mail and packages.



### SURFACE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK TRUCKING

#### Primary North-South Routes

- I-5 and SR 99

#### Primary East-West Routes

- I-80 (western leg of a national freight corridor) and US 50

Located just off I-5, SMF offers convenient access and connections to other major interstate highways.

US 50 changes from a Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) route to part of the California Legal Network east of Sly Park Road at Pollock Pines (post mile 31.3).

Average daily truck traffic volumes in the Sacramento region reach between 10,000 and 19,999. The majority of bottlenecks occur around downtown Sacramento and not in the vicinity of the airport.

## SEAPORTS AND RAIL LINE ACCESS

- To the west of downtown Sacramento and south of SMF is the deep-water Port of West Sacramento.
- Both Union Pacific (UP) and BNSF Railway provide transcontinental rail service near SMF using either Donner or Tehachapi routes to ship freight to eastern destinations such as Chicago, Illinois; Kansas City, Kansas; and Memphis, Tennessee.
- Short line railroads are also in the vicinity.

## PLANNED PROJECTS

- The programmed Metro Air Parkway Project, located at the SMF interchange with I-5, includes the first construction phase of a five-lane partial clover interchange with a three lane overcrossing facility, bike lanes, and a sidewalk on the west side.
- An Airport Master Plan update is scheduled for completion by December 2016.

## OTHER AIRPORT FACTS

- Over 65,500 tons of freight was processed through SMF in 2015.
- A Wildlife Hazard Management Program is in place to reduce aircraft and wildlife interactions.

## CONSTRAINTS AND ISSUES

- Environmental considerations present limitations on large scale development around and on airport property.
- Truck and commute-time traffic on area highways sometimes causes delays.
- Additional international flights would encourage more global belly cargo.
- The Department of Airports works closely with city and county jurisdictions and the SACOG Airport Land Use Commission to promote the development of compatible land uses within the airport's environs.

## CALTRANS FOCUS AREAS

- Implement ways to alleviate highway bottlenecks along truck routes.
- Encourage compatible land uses around the airport.

## TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PARTNERS

Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG): <http://www.sacog.org/>

Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD): <http://www.airquality.org/>

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